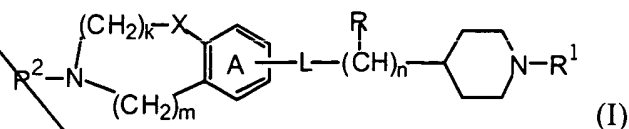


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Please substitute the following claims 1, 12, 15 and 17 for the claims 1, 12, 15 and 17 now pending in the above-identified application.

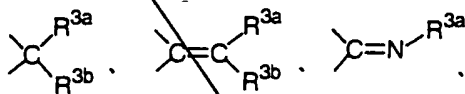
1. (Once Amended) A compound represented by the formula:



wherein ring A represents benzene ring optionally having a further substituent,

-L- represents -O-, -NR^{3a}-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -SO₂NR^{3a}-, -SO₂NHCONR^{3a}-,

-SO₂NHC(=NH)NR^{3a}-, -C(=S)-,



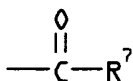
or -CONR^{3a}-

wherein R^{3a} and R^{3b} represent independently hydrogen atom, cyano group, hydroxy group, amino group, a C₁₋₆ alkyl group or a C₁₋₆ alkoxy group,

n represents an integer of 0 to 6,

R is hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent, and may be different in repetition of n,

R¹ represents a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent or a group represented by the formula:



wherein R⁷ represents a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent,

R² represents hydrogen atom, an acyl group, a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent or a heterocyclic group optionally having a substituent,

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X represents a bond,

k and m are each independently an integer of 0 to 4 and $k + m = 4$,

or a salt thereof.

12. (Once Amended) A compound selected from the group consisting of

2-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]-7-[2-[1-[[2-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-

piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,

2-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]-8-[2-[1-[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-

2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,

3-[1-(phenylmethyl)-4-piperidinyl]-1-[3-(phenylmethyl)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-

benzazepine-7-yl]-1-propanone oxime,

2-[1-[3-(phenylmethyl)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine-7-yl]-3-[1-(phenylmethyl)-

4-piperidinyl]propylidene]malononitrile,

3-(phenylmethyl)-7-[[2-[1-(phenylmethyl)-4-piperidinyl]ethyl]sulfanyl]-2,3,4,5-

tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine,

7-[[2-[1-[(2-chlorophenyl)methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethyl]sulfinyl]-3-(phenylmethyl)-

2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine,

7-[[2-[1-[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethyl]sulfinyl]-3-(phenylmethyl)-

2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine,

7-[[2-[1-[(3-chlorophenyl)methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethyl]sulfonyl]-3-(phenylmethyl)-

2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-3-benzazepine,

8-[3-[1-[[3-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]propoxy]-2-[(4-

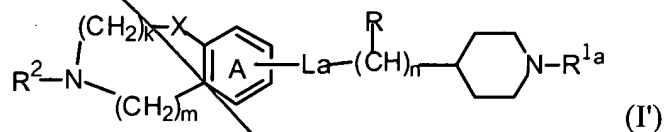
fluorophenyl)methyl]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,

4-[[4-[2-[[2-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine-8-

yl]oxy]ethyl]-1-piperidinyl]methyl]-1-benzenecarboxyimidamide,

~~8-[2-[1-[[4-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 2-(phenylmethyl)-8-[2-[1-[[4-(N,N-diethylaminomethyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 2-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]-8-[2-[1-[[3-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 2-[(2-methylphenyl)methyl]-8-[2-[1-[[4-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)benzoyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 2-(phenylmethyl)-7-[[1-[[4-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]methoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 2-(phenylmethyl)-8-[[1-[[4-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]methoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 2-(phenylmethyl)-8-[2-[1-[[4-(4,5-dihydro-1H-2-imidazolyl)phenyl]methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 and 2-(phenylmethyl)-8-[2-[1-[(4-dimethylaminophenyl)methyl]-4-piperidinyl]ethoxy]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-1H-2-benzazepine,
 or a salt thereof.~~

15. (Once Amended) A compound represented by the formula:



~~wherein ring A represents benzene ring optionally having a further substituent,
 -La- represents -NR^{3a}-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -SO₂NR^{3a}-, -SO₂NHCONR^{3a}-,
 -SO₂NHC(=NH)NR^{3a}-, -C(=S)-,~~

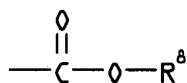


wherein R^{3a} and R^{3b} represent independently hydrogen atom, cyano group, hydroxy group, amino group, a C₁₋₆ alkyl group or a C₁₋₆ alkoxy group,

n represents an integer of 0 to 6,

R is hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent, and may be different in repetition of n,

R^{1a} represents hydrogen atom or a group represented by the formula:



wherein R⁸ represents a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent,

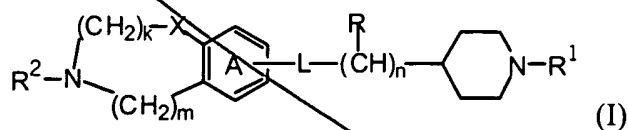
~~R² represents hydrogen atom, an acyl group, a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent or a heterocyclic group optionally having a substituent,~~

X represents a bond,

k and m are each independently an integer of 0 to 4 and $k + m = 4$,

or a salt thereof.

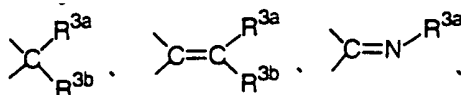
17. (Once Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising
a compound represented by the formula:



wherein ring A represents benzene ring optionally having a further substituent,

-L- represents -O-, -NR^{3a}-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -SO₂NR^{3a}-, -SO₂NHCONR^{3a}-,

-SO₂NHC(=NH)NR^{3a}-, -C(=S)-,



or -CONR^{3a}-

wherein R^{3a} and R^{3b} represent independently hydrogen atom,

cyano group, hydroxy group, amino group, a C₁₋₆ alkyl

group or a C₁₋₆ alkoxy group,

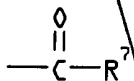
n represents an integer of 0 to 6,

R is hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent, and

may be different in repetition of n,

R¹ represents a hydrocarbon group optionally having a substituent or a group

represented by the formula:



wherein R⁷ represents a hydrocarbon group optionally having a

substituent,

R² represents hydrogen atom, an acyl group, a hydrocarbon group optionally

having a substituent or a heterocyclic group optionally having a

substituent,

X represents a bond,

k and m are each independently an integer of 0 to 4 and k + m = 4,

or a salt thereof or a prodrug thereof

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and a pharmacologically acceptable carrier.
